IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

VOLKER RASCHE ET AL

Serial No. 09/668,938

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Examiner C.G. KAO

METHOD OF AND DEVICE FOR THE ACQUISITION OF A THREE-DIMENSIONAL

IMAGE DATA SET OF A PERIODICALLY ORGAN OF THE BODY

Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)

Sir:

Applicants hereby petition for an extension of ONE (1) month to respond to the Office Action mailed on DECEMBER 13, 2001.

Because of this extension the time period for response will expire on APRIL 13, 2002. Filed herewith is a complete response to said Office Action.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 14-1270 in the amount of \$110.00, the fee for this extension; and charge any additional fees except for the Issue Fee, and credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 14-1270.

Respectfully, submitted,

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